



DESIGN COMMISSION
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018 6:00 PM
AUSTIN CITY HALL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM 1101
301 W. SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

Meeting Minutes

Call to order by: **Chair D. Carroll at 6:02 p.m.**

Member List

<u>X</u>	David Carroll – Chair		Melissa Hanao-Robledo
<u>X</u>	Martha Gonzalez – Vice-Chair	<u>X</u>	Ben Luckens
<u>X</u>	Aan Coleman	<u>X</u>	Evan Taniguchi
<u>X</u>	Beau Frail	<u>X</u>	Bart Whatley
<u>X</u>	Samuel Franco		VACANT
<u>X</u>	Katie Halloran		

Support Staff in attendance: Benjamin Campbell (Executive Liaison; PAZ); Nichole Koerth (Staff Liaison; PAZ)

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

None.

2. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

- a. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether the **91 Red River** project, located at 91-93 Red River Street, complies with the [Urban Design Guidelines](#), a gatekeeper requirement for the Downtown Density Bonus Program ([LDC §25-2-586\(C\)\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)) ([Axel Weisheit](#), Ziegler Cooper Architects; [Eric Schultz](#), dwg.; [Harrison Hudson](#), Kimley-Horn) (15 mins.);

[Axel Weisheit](#), [Eric Schultz](#), [Harrison Hudson](#), and Will Marsh ([Endeavor](#)) presented and was available to answer questions by the Commission.

The motion to recommend that the project complies with the Urban Design Guidelines was made by Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez; second by Commissioner S. Franco. The motion was approved on a unanimous vote of [9-0-0].

Commissioner M. Hena-Robledo was absent.

- b. Staff briefing regarding the request by the Design Commission that existing Great Streets elements such as trees, furnishings, and pavers (when applicable), be returned to the City when removed for a new private Great Streets project, or when removed by a public entity ([Humberto Rey](#), Great Streets Program Manager, Urban Design Division,

Planning & Zoning Department; [Keith Mars](#), Urban Forestry Program Manager, Development Services Department; [Pirouz Moin](#), Engineering Supervisor, Street & Bridge Division, Public Works Department) (15 mins.);

[Humberto Rey](#), [Keith Mars](#), and [Pirouz Moin](#), provided the briefing and were available to answer questions from the Commission.

Commissioner Franco left the dais at 7:14 p.m.

Commissioner Franco returned to the dais at 7:16 p.m.

Commissioner Halloran left the dais at 7:16 p.m.

Commissioner Halloran returned to the dais at 7:21 p.m.

No action taken.

3. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and possible Action):

a. None

4. COMMISSION-SPECIFIC BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

a. Discussion and possible action on the **August 27, 2018** draft meeting minutes;

The motion to approve the minutes, as drafted, was made by Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez; Second by Commissioner E. Taniguchi. The motion was approved on a unanimous vote of [9-0-0].

b. Re-Introduction and update from City Architect [Janice White](#);

Janice White presented information regarding her tenure and abilities as the City Architect, as well as [Peter Davis](#) (LEED/Sustainability Project Manager; City of Austin), who presented information in regards to LEED processes and determination.

Commissioner Luckens left the dais at 8:00 p.m.

Commissioner Luckens returned to the dais at 8:04 p.m.

No action taken.

c. Discussion and possible action on the determination of Substantial Compliance in regards to the Urban Design Guidelines ([B. Luckens](#));

This discussion is ongoing. No action taken.

d. Liaison Reports;

None.

- e. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair;

Chair Carroll and Commissioners Whatley, Taniguchi and Luckens stated that they would be present at the meeting on Thursday.

- f. Staff update regarding Downtown Density Bonus Program projects, including fee-in-lieu collection;

Mr. Campbell provided the update and was available to answer questions from the Commission.

- g. Review of recusal and conflict of interest for Commissioners;

Mr. Campbell gave a brief overview of the procedure for recusal.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. Nomination of a liaison to the Joint Sustainability Committee.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Chair Announcements:

None.

- b. Items from Commission Members:

None.

- c. Items from City Staff:

None.

ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 8:26 p.m.